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# FELIX



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## GYMNASIUM FOR NEXT YEAR

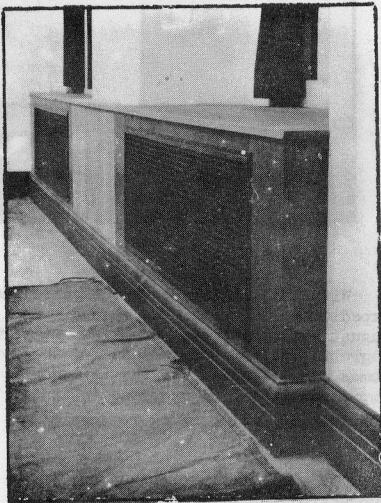
SHODDY WORKMANSHIP, BAD PLANNING INCONVENIENCE ATHLETIC CLUBS

Why isn't the gymnasium finished yet? Once again we, the members of the Union, are suffering from the incompetence of the powers that be to plan anything in such a way that it is completed on time, or even within months of the specified date.

A week before the beginning of this term, workmen moved in to carryout work that was ordered to be done last MAY. More time seems to be spent drinking tea than doing the work that the tax-payer is paying for.

The whole business of the gymnasium is one of blunders: this may sound a strong word to use, but its suitability is demonstrated by the following facts:

1. The gym was designed in such a way that it is two feet too short for Badminton. Consequently the Badminton Club will suffer for a good many years by having to play on outside courts.
2. The radiators were fitted into recesses in the walls so that they would be out of the way, leaving the walls flat so that ball games could be played in safety. However, over the radiators were built box arrangements which protruded about three inches from the walls, making ball games highly dangerous. This was both unnecessary and stupid, when a simple flat panel was all that was required. At great expense these are at last being modified by continuing the panelling along the whole length of the wall. The result looks

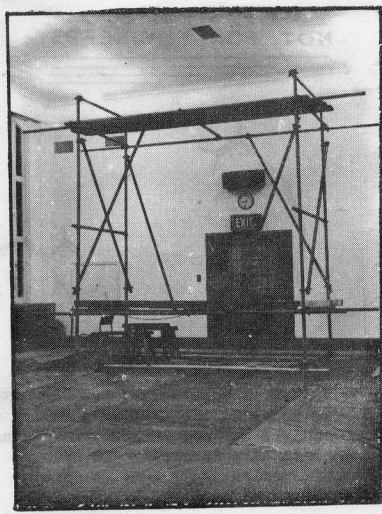


SCIENTIFICALLY DESIGNED!

extremely shoddy and the finished article is not nearly as good as it would have been if the job had been done correctly the first time.

3. The ropes are still awaited, and it is rumoured that we might eventually get some wallbars.
4. The date of completion is still unknown.

In conclusion, the athletic clubs are to be congratulated on the restraint they have shown, and our sympathies go to them for all the inconveniences they have had to put up with.



WHO'S TO HANG?

### BALL GAME PLAYERS VINDICATED

A comment that appeared in the Editorial of a recent copy of Phoenix with reference to "ball-game players" being unfitted to choose a grand piano was disproved on Thursday, Oct. 3rd. The new piano, chosen by Council in preference to a baby grand as suggested by some members of the S.C.C. whose members were directly connected with the instrument, was moved against all instructions to the Upper Refectory. The piano bought by the Union last term was intended to remain on the stage and be used by professional musicians.

An over enthusiastic group of irresponsible members of our Union mishandled the piano to the Upper Refectory. The front was forced off and the look badly damaged in an endeavour to make the instrument available to the Jazz Band.

During the course of the evening two large burns appeared on the top - obviously made by smouldering cigarettes. The "ball-game players" are clearly more in touch with the standard of behaviour of the OTHER Union Members.

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### STOP PRESS

Nov. 5th. celebrations. Keep an eye on notice boards and FELIX for full details.

## TODAY'S EVENTS

- S.C.M. Open meeting. "Is there a God?" Prof. H.D. Lewis. Room 128 C.&G. 1-10pm. Sandwiches available.
- COLLEGE EVENING CHAPEL. Holy Trinity Church. 5-05pm.
- CHRISTMAS ISLANDERS. "On the beach:" Mr David Jones. Literary readings and discussion. Committee Room B. (Off Union Lounge.) 5-15pm.
- LIBERAL SOCIETY. Mr. Peter Bessell, prospective Liberal candidate for Bodmin, will speak at 1-15pm in Committee Room B.

- CHESS CLUB. Freshers' Trials in Chess room at 5-15pm.
- PHOTOGRAPHIC SOC. Open evening. All members, especially Freshers, welcome.
- ROYAL GOLF. "Revering to Success." Discussion. Meet at 1-10pm Main entrance R.C.S.
- CHEM. ENG. SOC. Meeting in Chem. Tech. at 1-10pm.
- SAILING CLUB. Meeting in Room 161 City and Guilds. All freshers welcome. 5-15pm.



## HEBRIDEAN EXPEDITION

## BOTANISTS VISIT ORANSAY

During August this year, a party of seven members of the Zoology Department took part in an expedition to the Isle of Oransay, one of the most westerly islands of the Inner Hebrides. It was led by Bob Sturrock who, with the rest, had just completed his second year in the Zoology Dept., and included two girls.

The trip was run to gain experience in planning, camping and working under expedition conditions and to see how the members survived each other's company over a reasonable period of time. Armed with this knowledge, the planning of an expedition to Ghana in 1958, to follow the one this year, should be greatly facilitated.

On August 1st. six members joined the seventh on the island to start the camp. They had failed to meet three days earlier because of a failure on British Railways which resulted in the main party being unable to catch their boat. Whilst refusing to accept responsibility, British Railways generously footed the bill for extra expenses incurred during a three day "Tour of the Scottish Islands" as the party made its way by an alternative route to its destination.

For the next three weeks no major setbacks interfered with the camp and life progressed smoothly. Problems, including an investigation of littoral insects, a survey of the distribution of crane flies, an examination of the liverfluke of the island and general biological collecting, were carried out with reasonable success.

A revealing insight into island life was obtained one night during a "Ceilidh" (pronounced caley as in tray) on a neighbouring island - the effects of which were visible for several days!

After this, gales from various directions combined with heavy rain showers began to play havoc with the camp. All the tents were damaged and running repairs had to be made continuously under all conditions of gale, visibility and rain. Eventually four of the seven tents collapsed under the strain. Two of these were of a design reputed by the makers to have been tested in a South Georgia winter - some comment on our English summer! Throughout this period the morale of the camp remained high, although we lost one member for external uncontrollable personal reasons (female).



With the subsidence of the gales the expedition ran quietly to an end. On August 30th. camp was struck and members regretfully left the islands for their homes. The kindness of the islanders impressed itself on everyone and their hospitality will be long remembered.

The whole venture was undoubtedly successful and provided all the experience hoped for. A detailed report will be given to the R.C.S. Natural History Society sometime in November, together with a film made during the trip.

R.F.S.

## R.C.A. WASHED

Attempts have recently been made to improve the facilities of the Huxley Building. They necessitated the draining of the central heating system. The heating engineers eventually did arrive to refill the system, all going well until lunchtime when the job was only half-finished. True to the tradition of British Workmen, everything stopped for tea; that is, except the water supply to the radiators which was left running. The inevitable happened. Slowly but unceasingly the water crept higher and higher; one by one the radiators started to leak. It was found later that all the air release vents had been left open, and several laboratories were flooded as a result.

The 'piece de resistance' however, was the culmination of the whole episode. The cold water (hot never goes through these radiators) at last reached the top of the heating system and issued forth from an upper-storey window as a long, penetrating jet; so penetrating, in fact, that a row of motor-bicycles parked outside the neighbouring Royal College of Art received an unasked for, but nevertheless highly effective, shower bath.

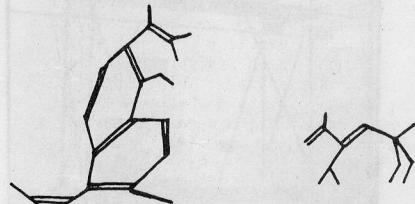
## TO WORK IN THE ANTARCTIC

Every year a large number of those leaving I.C. go abroad in search of a change of scenery, or money, usually both. But very few have travelled as far away as C.M. Smith (ex-Chem. Dept.) intends to go. He will spend the next two and a half years at a F.I.D.S. base in the Argentine Islands, Graham Land, Antarctica. As a change from organic chemistry he will be doing meteorological work, some of it in connection with the International Geophysical Year.

Martin, who is well known in the College for his mountaineering and photographic activities, sails soon on the "John Biscoe", and after a short stay in Port Stanley he will be landed at the base, which he will share with eleven other scientists, the penguins and the seals. His spare time is to be spent doing photography and bird-ringing.

We rather think that he will find life a little bit quieter down there than it is in I.C.

## NOT FOR ENGINEERS



They've thrown us together, those Chemists up there  
And I hope you will see that it's really unfair —  
You're merely a number, whilst I have a name;  
Our status in life is hardly the same.  
All thermodynamics can't make us combine  
For I'm Kangarucin and you are K-9.

PEANUTS.

COMMEMORATION DAY  
THURSDAY OCT. 24TH.  
ROYAL ALBERT HALL 3PM.

SPECIAL VISITOR  
SIR ALEXANDER FLECK  
K.B.E., F.R.S..

STUDENTS AND THEIR FRIENDS  
ADMITTED WITHOUT TICKET AT  
THE MAIN DOOR



## GHANA'S ECOLOGY STUDIED

The following is an account of the I.C. Ecological Expedition to Ghana which took place this summer, sponsored by the Exploration Board:-

Ghana is a young country and is almost impatient in its desire to solve its many problems, especially the agricultural ones. The object of our expedition was ecological exploration with an economic inclination and touched on the most fundamental tropical problem, which is soil conservation. The usual method of farming, away from the coastal plain, is by clearing the mature forest and planting crops in the forest soil. The sun immediately begins to dry the humus and the soil nutrients, now no longer held by an extensive root system, are etched away by the rain, and the area is allowed to degenerate to a secondary bush vegetation.

The focal point of the investigations of the three entomologists, two botanists and the soil scientists was the factors affecting the formation and destruction of humus, although each member also studied isolated subjects. Two main areas were studied. One was a strip transect in the Bobiri Forest Reserve extending from a stream through a swamp, into thick forest on a slight hill; the other was once a swamp by a river but has been drained and deforested and now supports an annual crop of rice. Rice has only recently been introduced there and the area can probably be compared directly with the other swamp which is still forested.

During the eight weeks several trips were made by one or all of the members, and Wiawso, Cape Coast, Achimota University in Ghana, Kano in Nigeria, and Agades on the fringe of the Sahara were all visited. A truck and driver were supplied by the department of Agriculture in Kumasi (the capital of Ashanti) to make the trips in Ghana possible. Kumasi is only 20 miles from the Bobiri Reserve, and as it is the headquarters of the Opposition Party, we got a good idea of the background to the deportations, riots and court cases which have occurred recently.

The expedition was led by Nick Jago who, together with Janet Petersen and Joyce Farmer organised the cook and two steward boys who performed our chores. We lived in two mosquito-proof bungalows, fortunately equipped with a refrigerator which was constantly maintained by Chris Green. This machine is of vital importance when the temperature is constantly around 80 degrees Fahrenheit and the relative humidity is 100 %.

On October 1st we should be in Freetown, Sierra Leone, where we are assured of a pleasant stay, as it is the home town of Hilton Jarrett, the soil scientist. At the moment (Sept. 27th) we are only one day from Takoradi Harbour, in a freezing temperature of 76 F, on our way to a British winter and a lot of work awaiting us.

## STUDENT HOSTELS

## GOVERNMENT REPORT REVIEWED

The University Grants Committee has recently produced the report of its sub-committee on Halls of Residence. This 50-page document published by Her Majesty's Stationery Office, is very good value for three shillings.

It discusses the whole problem of ensuring that every student derives the full benefits of a university life. It strongly advocated the provision of more Halls of Residence as the means of doing this. Only when all students spend a period in residence (the report recommends at least two years and preferably more) will the brownbagging 9 to 5 mentality be eradicated.

The vital educational role of hostel life should be of great interest to Imperial College, for whose students ten of so new hostel units, each containing about 90 residents, are to be built in Princes Gardens during the next few (?) years.

The booklet discusses a student who, having just left school, continues to live at home whilst attending college. To him are denied "the stimulus of fresh scenes, the exhilaration of independence, the sense that a new adventurous phase of life is pending". Digs may have the advantage of being much closer to college, but are a very poor second to living in a hostel. They are liable to be expensive, and some are squalid and difficult to work in. As the report says, "digs do nothing to help a student to interpret the university world". It goes on to emphasise the "civilising and humanising" influence of a hostel. Half of a student's university education is obtained in his college department, the other half, equally important, by mixing with his fellow students. Only a resident can appreciate the second half fully. He can obtain a thorough interchange of ideas with his fellows and can benefit from an understanding of the co-operation and teamwork which spring from living in a student community.

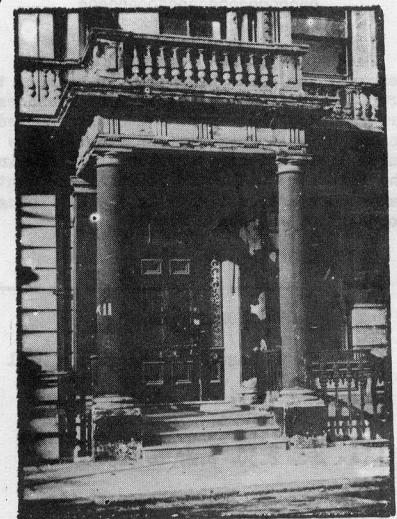
The report recommends a mixture of all "years" and postgraduates in hostels, and emphasises the importance of a sprinkling of staff, as well, in order to improve staff-student relationships. Members of staff should act as "moral tutors" to the students.

A hostel depends a great deal, says the report, on the personality of its warden. He must be resilient! And how! The sub-committee thinks that the post of warden should be held in university status: that the onetime possession of a wardenhip should count favourably when appointments to professorships are being made. This produces one implication which will have to be watched carefully at I.C. Hitherto our wardens and sub-wardens have been men with a genuine and active interest in student affairs: they have taken on the job more as a hobby than for money. Now it seems possible that an ambitious academician may seek a wardenhip for purely professional ends, and it is unlikely that he would make a satisfactory and tolerant warden. It is to be hoped that there will always be sufficient staff to take on wardenships for

the fun and great interest it can provide rather than possible promotion later.

The report also attempts to discuss the possible impact of a large residential population in various halls, each holding about 100, on college life in general. Here it is impossible to generalise on the complementary functions of halls and unions: so much depends on the distance that the halls are from the college centre, the existence of an active union etc., and this is different for every university in the country. The report speaks of athletic clubs run by each hall: students not actually in residence would be considered as "associate members" of a hall for this purpose, with the right to use lounges and dining rooms in the hall. This, no doubt, is a reasonable idea for a college or university where the halls are scattered and remote from the Union or social center. But at I.C., with a large and active Union, which divides naturally into the three constituent college unions when the situation or numbers demand, it seems unlikely that any of the halls in Princes Gardens will feel any need to organise their own major activities. The I.C. Governing Body report, 1955-56, emphasised that the Princes Gardens project was designed to encourage the corporate feeling of the college as a whole, and all residents would use the same refectories and lounges. Nevertheless each hall will need some sort of administering committee, like the present hostel's Resident's Committee which, happily, contains a considerably greater student representation than the U.G.C.'s report appears to think right and proper.

This sub-committee's report has been based on evidence received from many universities and colleges. The University Grants Committee visited I.C. in November, 1955, and it is very satisfactory to recall that the Union Council's memorandum to the committee was devoted entirely to a request for more halls of residence, for reasons similar to those described in some sections of this report. The purchase of Princes Gardens followed a few months later. This Council was subjected to the perennial and totally irrelevant criticism that it contained too many sporting and ball-games types. They certainly seem to have hit the ball good and hard on this occasion.



THE GARDEN HOSTEL



# FELIX

EDITOR: PETER LEVIN

CIRCULATION: 1500

## YANKS AT I.C.

The Planning Office has come in for considerable castigation, both in these columns and elsewhere, during the last three years. Their latest embarrassment is the "pirated" article that appeared in the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN recently, describing the plans for the new Prince's Gardens Hostel.

The College, it transpires, has suggested that the hostel be designed in such a way that during the long vac. it can be converted into hotel accommodation of a standard that would be attractive to American tourists. This is an excellent idea. Although new to this country, it is very common in Scandinavia, where such hotels are exceedingly popular.

The advantages of the scheme are obvious. We congratulate the Planning Office and trust that they will carry it out without skimping on materials and workmanship. We have too many examples of false economy around us already. Only the best will stand up to student wear and tear, and only the best will appeal to our visitors from abroad.

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Commemoration Day is shortly upon us again. To all those who have never attended, especially freshers, we say see for yourself what goes on. It is a side of College life that is all too rarely glimpsed. Apart from anything else, you get the rest of the day off and a free tea into the bargain.

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As usual at the beginning of the session, the Lower Refectory is bearing the brunt of the lunchtime scramble. Freshers are reminded that lunches are also served in the Upper Refectory (top floor of the Union), in Queensies (Ayrton Hall) and in the refectory under the Imperial Institute. Sandwiches are available in the New Lounge (opposite the Union Office).

### COMMEMORATION BALL

The Ninth Annual Commemoration Ball will be held on Thursday 24th October 1957 in the Ballroom of Claridges Hotel. Dancing to the music of the BILL SAVILL ORCHESTRA is from 8.30. p.m. to 2.30 a.m.

Tickets may be purchased at the Union Office.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### SATURDAY HOPS

Dear Sir,

Last year there were faint rumours of the Entertainments Committee organising all our informal dances, with no Club hops. Let us hope that we are to be spared this fate, if last Saturday's hop was an example of the best the E.C. can do.

What is this ridiculous nonsense of having Ladies' Invitation and Ladies' Excuse-me dances? These appeared to be equally unpopular both with the men and the Ladies present. May we express our surprise and disgust at having a 'change partners' dance at 10.45 pm. This sort of thing will totally change the traditional character of I.C. hops.

We cannot have band leaders taking charge of our dances and running them as though this were an East End Working Men's Club! The M.C. should definitely be a responsible member of this College, and not a band leader.

Lastly, we must protest about the extreme difficulty of obtaining drinks. The organisers of the dance should have been prepared for the large number of people requiring drinks.

The E.C. should set a better example on how to run a hop, especially after their criticism of several Clubs last year over the organisation of their dances.

Yours, in disgust,

P.S. Smith  
P. Porgess.

### TRIPLE!

My dear Felix,

Your Uncle Phoenix (remember him?) begs all freshers to consider him at this time and to ask themselves whether or not they might have some delightful short story, an essay or two, an article, a set of anecdotes, some art; just a drib or drab of something up their sleeves.

Should they have such talent surely they are bound in filial obligation to contact The Editor, The Phoenix c/o the Union Rack as soon as possible so that the Christmas Edition of Phoenix due out in the first week of December may be truly ambitious.

My benevolent greetings,  
Phoenix

The Imperial College Art Club will be holding a general meeting on Thursday October 17th at 1:30 pm. in Committee Room "B", (ground floor, Union Building) to discuss plans for the coming year.

### 'FLU REMEDY

Dear Sir,

I would advise your readers to take no heed of your so-called remedy for Asian 'flu. The last man to try it woke the whole hostel up at one in the morning yelling that his bed was on fire. The Warden came and pulled him out. "You b---y idiot," he remarked. "I suppose you lit your candle under the bed-clothes." "Nonshensh," the sufferer insisted. "The bed wash alight when I got into it!"

Yours faithfully,  
Henry Shoe.

### THAT GUARDIAN ARTICLE

Dear Sir,

FELIX always used to be first with the news of College affairs. Why is it, then, that we have to read the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN in order to learn of the latest details of the hostels it is proposed to build in Princes' Gardens.

Why cannot we get the news that we want and pay for?

Yours sincerely,  
K. G. Reader.

Our Architectural Correspondent writes:- Enquiries at the Planning Office and to the College Administration have failed to elucidate any information to amplify these reports. We could get no information whatsoever; in fact your correspondent was ushered away from the model while he was in the process of inspecting it. It is hoped that there might be some information by Christmas. The Planning Office states that the GUARDIAN'S report was pirated, but is ignorant of the source.

## TOUCHSTONE

Prof. A.R. Ubbelohde is the guest speaker at the first Touchstone Weekend of the new session. Speaking on "The Purpose and Techniques of a University Education", he is fulfilling a great need in our college, for all too few of our number come to college with the intent of being educated.

Any who have heard the Prof. speak, I use this term rather than lecture, will need no compelling to apply for a place on this weekend; but to the far larger number who have not yet had this pleasure, I heartily commend his great learning and understanding of university teaching, and his vast knowledge of the beauties of the English language.

You will all have an enjoyable time, and come away refreshed by the invigorating Berkshire countryside. The proceedings are informal, in pleasant surroundings and plenty of time is available for general discussion.

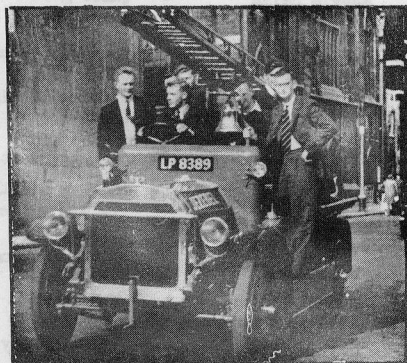
All application forms, which can be obtained from most notice boards in the College, should be completed and sent to Mr. C.K. McDowall, at 178, Queens' Gate, as soon as possible.



JEZ AIRED

The R.C.S. Motor Club and Jezebel were honoured by the company of I.C.'s President on her trip round Hyde Park on the second of the two Freshers' days. The Old Lady was allowed through the Park unimpeded, although accosted in Exhibition Road by a gentleman(?) in blue, whose lack of humour may have been due to a vulgar noise she has recently acquired.

It was regretted that Bo and Clem-entine were unable to be present.



FASHION FROLICS

U.C. and Bedford have challenged Kings to a duel. Kings, a small seminary on the banks of the Thames—still smarting from the "washing of their backside" last session—have arranged with a West End store for some of their women to take part in a mannequin parade next week. The squabble is the result of Kings' claim to be the "best dressed College in the University?"

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An I.C.W.A. representative is reported to have said "Are there any other women in the University?"

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I.C.W.A. don't need dressing up.

COLLEGE EVENING CHAPEL

A brief service for all members of the College

IN HOLY TRINITY CHURCH  
COME THIS FRIDAY  
at 5.05.p.m.

+ EMERGENCY +

FELIX HEALTH GUIDE.

How to deal with Asian 'flu.

Obtain a pottle of whisky and retire to your room with plenty of hot water handy. Here soak your feet in hot mustard and water, light a candle and go to bed. Keep sipping the hot whisky and water preferably sweetened with honey, until you can see two candles. Continue this treatment until you can see three candles, then blow out the middle one, turn over and go to sleep.

If this proves unsuccessful, try dosing yourself with an interesting potion called a Zombie. For this you need.

- 1oz. Jamaica rum.
- 2oz. Cuban rum.
- 1oz. Virgin Island rum.
- 1 tablespoon Demerara rum.
- 1oz. each: lime; pineapple; Papaya juice.

Shake all but the Demerara rum with ice and pour the fluid without straining into a 14oz. glass. Float the Demerara rum (151degrees proof) on top. Garnish with a cherry, pineapple stick, slice of orange, and a sprig of mint dusted with sugar. Sip very slowly.

LETTER TO MIS-GUIDED

Dearest Ninotchka

with the so very enchanting round figure, why have you left the warmth of my bosom for the cold loneliness of the outer space? With every glimpse I have of you, my heart rockets up and satellises: and I wish that I could lay my burning forehead upon your cool, cool hands.

Perhaps, you misguided one, you have been seduced by the man in the moon. Till you return, there will be no more songs in the air, or sweet cooing lovers in the shadow of the Kremlin.

So please come back to your beloved,

Ze-arth.

POME

Imperial  
Hunt  
Pleasure  
Ecstasy  
Rejoicing  
In  
All  
Labours.  
Consider  
Only  
Love  
Life?  
Exit  
Good  
Examinations.  
Understand  
Nothing.  
Instill  
Only  
Necessities.



YOUR MOVE

NELSON'S COLUMN



Jennifer Heywood was seen to lead a team of stalwart helpers through the lower refectory one evening, suitably armed with a broom; it is reported that a clean sweep is to be made in I.C.W.A.

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When WILL there be a suggestions book in the lower refectory, Nelson is impatient to question the recent unannounced increase in prices ... .. or do suggestions hurt too much.

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At last one of the Union flag-poles has been put to good use, it flew a small black article of clothing the other day; no doubt mourning its lack of use.

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After over a year they are STILL thinking what to do with it; inquiries are now to be made to decide whether Colcutts tower will stand by itself. Let the planners stand or fall by their bunglings and decide before they are drowned in the collapse of their own follies.

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And still they come..... Further marriages :- Vere Atkinson - (ex Secretary I.C.U.) Peter Kale - (ex Secretary C.&G.U.) John Walton - (ex Aero) to Patricia Woodhams (ex Chemistry)

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A balding gentleman with a crew-cut sat unconcernedly reading 'H..lth and Eff.c..ncy' in the refectory last weekend. On the table in front of him was the latest copy of 'The Ps.ch.l.g.st M.g.z.ne'. A psychol-ogists report on this would make food for thought.

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The Millerhorn. The renaming of Mount Rómbakstóttá was prompted by the temporary loss of the true name, and the inability of anyone to remember its involved spelling.

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Once bitten, twice shy. We observe that one of our beautiful freshmen had her ankle in bandages after only four nights in the Hostel.

POME  
My heart  
Aches and  
& drowsy  
Rumours  
Pains my  
Sense.  
I  
Must have  
Eaten too  
Much  
Horse  
Radish.

SAYINGS OF THE WEEK

Prominent member of Union Council: "I shall make a disgrace of myself tonight".

Editor of Felix: "This Cow Game a lot stronger than it was". How much have you had?



FELIX GUIDE TO THE GODS

THEATRE	ADDRESS & TEL. NO	HOW TO GET THERE	CHEAPEST SEATS	NO.	COM-FORT	HOW TO BOOK	SHOW NOW ON	STARS	COMMENTS
ADELPHI	Strand W.C.2. TEM 7611	STRAND. r out of Stn.	5/- u.o.	148	✓	☹☹☹	The lovebirds.		Comedy. Funny in parts.
ALDWYCH	Aldwych W.C.2. TEM 6404	ALDWYCH. HOLBORN COVENT GDN.	4/- u.o.	100	✗	☹☹☹	Meet me by Moonlight	Michael Dennis Sophie Stewart	120 Victorian Musical Comedy
EMBASSADORS	West Street TEM 1171	LEIC. Sq. turn of Camb. Circ.	3/6 pit	35	✓	☹☹☹	The Mousetrap	Derek Blomfield Mary Law	150 Murder mystery. Longest run. Intimate review. Good.
APOLLO	Shaftesbury Av. GER 2663	PICCADILLY CIRC. st. up Shftsby Av.	2/6 g.	200	✓	☹☹☹	For Amusement only		135 Comedy. Diplomatic love life.
CAMBRIDGE	Earlham St. TEM 6056	COVENT GARDEN Langly St., 11ft. 1 rt.	5/- u.o.	444	✗	☹☹☹	Silver Wedding.	Frank Lawton Evelyn Laye	125 Widest Screen Film. Excellent.
CASINO	Old Compton St. GER 6877	LEIC. SQ. 2nd. lft. after Camb. Circ.	6/6	186	✓	☹☹☹	Cinerama Holiday		- American musical. Baseball theme. Musical diversion.
COLISEUM	Charing X TEM 3161	LEIC. SQ. in. Chrg. X.Rd. to St. Martins Pl.	4/- g.	495	✓	☹☹☹	Damn Yankees.	Elizabeth Seal Bill Kerr	150 Musical diversion. Quite good.
COMEDY	Panton St. WHI 2578	PICCADILLY CIRC. Turn off Haymarket.	5/- b.	134	✗	☹☹☹	10 a.m. Share my Lettuce. same day	Kenneth Williams Maggie Smith	130 Opera.
COVENT GARDEN	Royal Opera Hse COV 1066	COV. GDN. 1st. r., 1st. l. up Floral Street.	5/- g.	396	✗	☹☹☹			- Naughty French comedy. Original Peking Opera
CRITERION	Piccadilly CIRC. WHI 3216	PICCADILLY CIRC.	6/- u.o.	64	✗	☹☹☹	The waltz. of the Treaders.	Renee Asherson Walter Hudd	160 Comedy and embarrassment.
DRURY LANE	Theatre Royal TEM 8108	COVENT GDN. 4th. l. up Long Acre.	5/- g.	435	✗	☹☹☹	Chinese classical Theatre		135 Intense thriller. Two man review v. good.
DUCHESS	Catherine St. TEM 8243	COV. GDN.	5/6 b.d.c.	42	✗	☹☹☹	The bride and the bachelor	Nornton Wayne Cicely Courtneidge	135 The house by the lake At the drop of a hat
DUKE OF YORK'S	St. Martins Lane TEM 5122	LEIC. SQ.	2/- g.	150	✗	☹☹☹		Flora Robson Andrew Cruikshank	145 Two man review v. good. Lancashire comedy. Poor play
FORTUNE	Russell St. TEM 2238	Covent GDN. 4th. l. up Long Acre	3/6		✓	☹☹☹		Michael Flanders Donald Swann	- Comedy. Noel Coward.
GARRICK	Charing X Rd. TEM 4601	LEIC. SQ.	2/6 g.	110	✓	☹☹☹	9.30 Saturday night at a.m. the Crown.	Thora Hird	125 Comedy. Noel Coward.
GLOBE	Shaftesbury Av. GER 1592	PICCADILLY CIRC.	4/6 g.	104	✗	☹☹☹	Nude with Violin.	Michael Wilding Kathleen Harrison	135 High Comedy.
HAYMARKET	Haymarket WHI 9832	PICCADILLY CIRC.	3/6 g.	131	✗	☹☹☹	The Chalk Garden.	Edith Evans Felix Aylner	140 U.S. Army farce. Not original.
HER MAJESTY'S	Haymarket WHI 6606	PICCADILLY CIRC.	4/- g.	111	✓	☹☹☹	No time for Sergeants	Barry Nelson Leslie Dwyer Joan Heal	135 Venetian Comedy. Excellent.
LYRIC	Shaftesbury Av. GER 3686	PICCADILLY CIRC	4/6 g.	205	✓	☹☹☹	10 a.m. on day Grab me a Gondola.	Dennis Quilley	150 Take your Aunt.
LYRIC	Hammersmith RIV 4432	HAMMERSMITH. King Street.	2/- g.	250	✗	☹☹☹	9 1/2 hr Joyce Grenfell at before home.	Joyce Grenfell	- Australian Comedy Very Good
NEW	St. Martins Lane. TEM 3878	LEICS. SQ.	2/- g.	180	✗	☹☹☹	10-17th. Summer of 17th. doll.	Ray Lawler and Australian cast	155 Changing Programme
OLD VIC	Waterloo Rd. WAT 7616	WATERLOO. under rly. 1st. l.	1/6 g. 2/6 g.		✓	☹☹☹	10 a.m. Shakespeare		- Show Biz. Satire Lewd
PALACE	Shaftesbury Av. GER 6834	LEIC. SQ. on Camb. Circ.	5/- b.	335	✗	☹☹☹	The Entertainer	Larry Olivier	155 Revue for T.V. friends
PALLADIUM	Argyle St. GER 7373	OXFORD CIRC.	2/6 u.o.	34	✓	☹☹☹	We're having a ball.	Max Bygraves Joan Regan	135 Pre-natal comedy Pregnant suspense
PHOENIX	Charing X Rd. TEM 8611	LEIC. SQ.	5/0 u.o.	.84	✗	☹☹☹	Roar like a dove	Anthony Ireland Anne Kimbell	- Ex-T.V. murder thriller
PICCADILLY	Denman St. GER 4506	PICADILLY CIRC. Off Shftsby Av.	5/- b.u.o.	64	✓	☹☹☹	A dead secret.	Paul Scofield	150 Bust show in town.
PRINCE OF WALES	Coventry St. WHI 8681	PICADILLY CIRC.	7/6 b.d.c. 4/- st.	64	✓	☹☹☹	Pleasures of Paris	SABRINA Dickie Henderson	140 NOTHING AT THE MOMENT
PRINCE'S	Shaftesbury Av. TEM 6596	TOTTENHAM CRT. ROAD.	3/- g.	180	✗	☹☹☹			- Political farce-satire
ROYAL COURT	Sloane Sq. SLO 1745	SLOANE SQ.	5/- gnd. tr. 2/6 st.	200	✓	☹☹☹			- Classical music and ballet.
FESTIVAL HALL	Waterloo WAT 3191	WATERLOO	3/- g. 2/6 st.	292 20	✓	☹☹☹			- Opera.
SADLER'S WELLS	Rosebury Av. TER 1672	ANGEL turn off St. John Str.	3/- g. 2/6 st.	20	✓	☹☹☹			135 A situation comedy
ST. MARTIN'S	West Street TEM 1443	LEIC. SQ. 1 st. r., 1st. l. up Chrg X Rd.	4/6 u.o.	153	✓	☹☹☹	Odd man in.	Donald Sinden Muriel Pavlow Gillian Lewis	160 Musical comedy. Very good.
SAVOY	Strand TEM 8888	STRAND Turning off on right.	4/-	141	✓	☹☹☹	10 a.m. on day Free as air.	Patricia Bredin	150 Farce. Ear plugs needed
STRAND	Aldwych. TEM 2660	COVENT GARDEN HOLBORN	2/- g.	240	✓	☹☹☹	10-30 On day Sailor beware	Peggy Mount	150 Musical fantasy
VAUDEVILLE	Strand TEM 4871.	STRAND	5/- u.o.	31	✓	☹☹☹	Salad Days	Virginia Vernon Lloyd Pearson	130 Funny but vulgar
VICTORIA PALACE	Victoria St. VIC 1317	VICTORIA facing stn.	3/6 u.o. 2/- st.	213	✓	☹☹☹	These Foolish Kings.	Anna Massey David Tomlinson	135 Comedy fair.
WESTMINSTER	Palace St. VIC 0283	VICTORIA. up Bingham Floor Rd.	5/- b.c.	50	✗	☹☹☹	Dear Delinquent	Leo Franklin Brian Rix	150 Farce, hilarious SEE CAMBRIDGE THEATRE
WHITEHALL	Trafalgar Sq. WHI 6692	TRAFALGAR SQ.	5/6 u.o. 4/6 g.	93	✓	☹☹☹	Dry Rot		- Silver Wedding (Oct. 14th.)
WINTER GARDENS	Drury Lane HOL 8881	HOLBORN. down High Holborn and t.n.l.	3/6 g.	300	✗	☹☹☹	Silver Wedding (Oct. 14th.)		95 REVUEVILLE
WINDMILL	Piccadilly CIRC GER 7413	PICCADILLY CIRC. off Shftsby Av.	12/-	113	✗	☹☹☹	Long REVUEVILLE		130 Musical comedy of 1920
WYNDHAM'S	Charing X Rd. TEM 3028	LEIC. SQ.	2/- g.	104	✓	☹☹☹	The Boy Friend.	Patricia Webb Anne Wakefield	

KEY

- ☹☹☹ Book in advance.
- ☹☹☹ Stools at 10 a.m. on day of show.
- ☹☹☹ Tickets at Theatre.
- ☹☹☹ Smoking allowed in auditorium.
- ☹☹☹ Smoking not allowed in auditorium.

- ☹☹☹ Good seats
- ☹☹☹ Bench-type seats.
- ☹☹☹ Ladies please remove hats.
- ☹☹☹ Crowded.
- ☹☹☹ Good view of stage.

- ☹☹☹ View of stage limited.
- ☹☹☹ Gets stuffy.
- ☹☹☹ Theatre disinfected through with Jayes.
- ☹☹☹ Don't take your best girl.
- ☹☹☹ No opera glasses.



VIEWPOINT

On September 29th, there appeared in Reynolds News an article by a Dr. Brian Welbeck assailing our educational system and the products thereof, with particular emphasis on the scientific and technological aspects, bringing up some points quite commonly met with.

Dr. Welbeck asserted that present-day sixth-formers suffer from a surfeit of sports and sciences. They are not being taught to think for themselves, but merely have the contents of other men's minds poured into their own. "Everything that might broaden the scholar's mind and encourage him to browse in wide pastures of culture, literature and philosophy has been drastically pruned.....Latin and Greek and the wealth of human culture that they open up are supposed to be dead subjects! It appears to us necessary to point out, once and for all, that literature and philosophy, Latin and Greek just do not constitute everything that might broaden a scholar's mind. Does this insistence on teaching the culture of the past, while young minds are being actively stimulated by the scientific achievements that are taking place now (the Russian earth-satellite provides a topical example) betray some rather out-of-touch wishful thinking? We shall return to this point.

"One can be a good technician while remaining something less than human, while being virtually uneducated," writes Dr. Welbeck. Agreed. One can. And who has not heard of the lawyer, schooled in Greek and Latin, who spends his time doing nothing but looking up precedents.

"... a civilization is judged, not by its machines of war, but by its creative artists, its literature, its philosophy and its poets! Well, there has been nothing new at the R.A. Summer Exhibition for donkeys' years. How many giants of literature and poetry are there nowadays? Dr. Welbeck seems to realise that the Latin-Greek culture is dying a slow death -- he does not realise that it is being inevitably superseded by a new culture, with mathematics the living language; a culture appealing to the youth of today because it signifies progress. He does not admit that Science is creative. Read the newspapers, Dr. Welbeck. The only creative people nowadays are Scientists and Technologists. When our civilization is judged according to its works, the discoveries of the former and the more tangible monuments of the latter will stamp this age as the renaissance.

Dr. Welbeck goes on: "We honour the Romans not because they were skilled engineers but because they laid the foundations of Civil Law! Do the agedots deserve no honour? "Comparing ourselves with the Middle Ages which produced the Cathedrals, we must blush to think that the best we can show are monstrous office blocks and the inter-continental ballistic missile! One need not quote examples to show that Dr. Welbeck is here comparing the best of one world with the worst of another. A scientific education would have taught him objectivity, while one might bear in mind that in those same Middle Ages

Galileo Galilei was persecuted and imprisoned for supporting the view that the planets revolved round the sun.

"The 19th century ... produced MEN ... men who were not afraid to think widely, to challenge accepted citadels of thought..." Were not the atomic theory and the quantum theory evolved by such men? And are not today's citadels being challenged by Scientists? Dr. Welbeck has already stated his preference for the Civil Law of the Romans and the architecture of the Middle Ages.

One final quotation: "Today we turn out, by the score, conveyor-built pimply-faced little scientists and chemists who think that the whole world is hounded by a test-tube! Welbeck has no weapon save ridicule with which to attack us. Heaven help him. His article, like too many others, conjures up a picture of a man running round in circles, sensing that he has lost something but ignorant of what he seeks and how to find it. Unable to face the future, he takes refuge behind a door that is very nearly closed.

Democritus II.

COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY OCT. 13th.

Y.H.A. Ramble with Bedford College in Flatford (Essex) Area. Meet at Liverpool St. Stn. at 9.30am.

MONDAY OCT. 14th.

MIN.&MET. SOC. "The History of the Royal School of Mines." Dr.C.S.Smith, C.B.E. at 5.10pm.

TUESDAY OCT. 15th.

POLISH SOC. A.G.M. 1.15pm in Committee Room B.

WINE-TASTING SOC. "Sherry" 5.30pm. in the Snack Bar.

WEDNESDAY OCT. 16th.

RAILWAY SOC. Visit to Barking Engineering Works.

THURSDAY OCT. 17th.

ART CLUB. General Meeting, 1.30pm. in Committee Room B.

FRIDAY OCT. 18th.

Y.H.A. Dirty Weekend at Chaldon with Bedford College.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOC. "Colour Photography--- a hundred years of Progress." D.H.O.Johns B.Sc.A.R.C.S., ETC.

ROVER CREW. "The In & Out in Scouting." Talk by Melville Balsillie.

TUESDAY OCT. 22nd.

RAILWAY SOC. "Irish Railways" H.C. Casserley.

LIT. & DEB. SOC. "This House believes that Love's Labour is lost." (Guest speakers from Bedford College)

FRIDAY OCT. 25th.

ROVER CREW. Planning of next years Summer Camp.

BARREL

Peter Rowe has the following extract column of the Manchester about Tuesday 11th.

"A striking lesson upper lip is given in the weekly bulletin Civil Engineering prints the following layer in Barbados to worked:

" Respected Sir,

ing, I found that the some bricks off the a beam with a pulley ing and hoisted a of bricks. When I there was a lot of I hoisted the barrel and secured the line then went up and filled the extra bricks. Then bottom and cast off the ately, as the bricks I was and before I knew the barrel started down ground. I decided to up I met the barrel a severe blow on the continued to the top against the beam and jammed in the pulley. the ground, it burst all the bricks to spill heavier than the barrel come down again at way down I met the received severe injuries I hit the ground I landed getting several painful edges.

"At this point my presence of mind line. The barrel the another heavy blow on me in hospital. sick leave."

ORGY

drawn our attention to from the 'Miscellany' Guardian on or June.

in keeping a stiff a recent number of of the Federation of Contractors which letter from a brick-the firm for which he

When I got to the Build-hurricane had knocked top. So I rigged up at the top of the build- couple of barrels full had fixed the building, bricks left over. back up again at the bottom, and the barrel with I went to the line. Unfortun- were heavier than what was happening, jerking me off the hang on and half way coming down and received shoulder. I then banging my head getting my fingers. When the barrel hit its bottom, allowing out. I was now and so started to high speed. Half barrel coming up and to my shins. When on the bricks cuts from the sharp

I must have lost because I let go the come down giving me the head and putting I respectfully request





# SPORTS NEWS

## TRIALS

### SOCCER

The trials were held at Harlington on October 2nd. and 5th. in glorious weather. The standard of the trialists was good but there were few players of first team standard. College football is faster and more robust than the football played at most schools, and when the freshmen become accustomed to the change then more will qualify for places in the top teams. It is therefore better that these players are selected for lower teams at first, but this will not mean that their claims to better football will be forgotten.

About 110 students have indicated their wish to play football for the College. It is impossible for the club to include everybody at first, but selection of the teams will be as fair as possible, entirely on ability, and the competition for places should prove a great incentive to everyone.

### RUGBY

The Club's trials, which were held at Harlington on Wednesday and Saturday, were very successful and attracted well over 100 players. This year's First Eleven should be as strong as ever and the lower teams, apart from a certain shortage of full-backs and fly-halves, should also do well.

Teams for Saturdays are normally posted on the Rugby Club notice board on Tuesday lunchtimes. Players are asked to look at this notice board, which is just outside the Bar, early in the week and not leave it until Friday afternoon. If available for the match, players should put a tick beside their names and if not available, a cross. It is essential that players whose names appear on the reserve list should also tick off as no Club can function without reserves. Past experience has shown that almost every reserve who ticks off gets a game; any reserve who ticks off two weeks in succession will be picked for a side in the third week.

Players who went to the U.L. trials and who now want to play for I.C. should sign the list they will find on the notice board.

Rugby fixtures (first team):

Sat.Oct.12th.	Streatham Ex.1 (A)
Wed.Oct.16th.	Charing X Hosp. (A)
Sat.Oct.19th.	Old Stortfordians (H)
Wed.Oct.23rd.	Royal Vets. (A).

### CROSSCOUNTRY

So far this season the Crosscountry Club has had no competitive fixtures, but two trials have been held. If the freshers fulfil the promise they have shown in the trials, we can perhaps hope for another season as successful as the last, when we won the University Championship and were second in the Hyde Park Road Relay.

Two very useful additions to our membership are R.C.Landbeck (ex-Southampton) and J.F.Jaeger (ex-Cambridge), and also freshers A.Brown, A.Braah and K.Ludlam showed considerable promise. However, of greater importance, is the fact that the Club has gained a fairly large number of freshers of moderate ability who will form the packing strength of the Club in the future.

Crosscountry fixtures (first team):  
 Sat.Oct.12th. U.C. Relay (A)  
 Sat.Oct.19th. Poly Mob Match (A)  
 Sat.Oct.26th. U.L. Trials (A)

### BOAT CLUB

On Wednesday afternoon about 70 Freshmen were shown round the Boat-house and given tea. Following this pleasant event, the more serious side of the sport has got into full swing with six Fresher crews being boated and tanked on Saturday.

The Morphy and Lowry crews have already started their training for November 6th. Morphy Day. These poor people have to row at 8.00 am. for the honour of their constituent College on three mornings a week.

"Greater love hath no man"

### RIDING CLUB

During the recent vac. three members of the Club spent an eventful 16 days trekking through Yorkshire, both high and low, receiving quite incredible hospitality at many of the farms visited. Visits were made to both racehorse and showjumping trainers, while the tour ended with a visit to the York Music Festival and a ride back to Burnley.

The only discomforts experienced were due to non-waterproof tents (on two occasions), and once or twice the noble animals mistook human feet for stones — and trod on them.

It is hoped to ride in a similar trek on the continent next summer, probably in Switzerland.

### SAILING

"Fumble" wins trophy

On 5th. and 6th. October racing at the Welsh Harp was for open competition and entries arrived from nine Clubs scattered over the Thames area, in addition to the College, University, and local Clubs.

"Fumble" (Janet Stevens and Mike Collyer) got the winning gun in the practice race, and went on to win the Welsh Harp Sailing Association's Autumn Trophy from a fleet of 52 starters. (Note: The Trophy was won in 1955 by sister ship "Famulus", also I.C.).

"Faust", sailed by fresher Graham Taylor, received a consolation prize for a good performance in very light airs, and we hope the Club may benefit from Graham's talent.

For the information of those who do not already know, the names of the I.C.Sailing Club's boats are: Fumble, Famulus, Faust, Furious, Felix (all National Firefly class).

### ATHLETIC CLUB

Though I.C.A.C. functions mainly in the summer term, it is hoped that members (and would-be members) will take an active interest in the Club in the winter terms. Weight-lifting and circuit training facilities will be provided as soon as the I.C. and U.L. gymnasias are opened. At present both are temporarily closed; the former for repairs and the latter for draining as it was flooded when the swimming bath at U.L.U. was filled.

One fixture takes place this term. This is the University's third Winter field Events and Relays Competition. Last year we lost the "Tjalve Trophy" for field events to Middlesex Hospital and were second in the relays. We particularly request F.E. men to reserve Wed. 13th Nov. to add their support to the I.C. team. By strengthening our F.E. section, especially in the jumping events, we can go a long way towards achieving our aim of regaining our title of University champions—which was lost to University College last year.

The attention of all members, old or new, of any standard, and whether interested in the Winter Meeting or not, is drawn to the Athletic Club Notice Board (situated outside the Bar) where a notice concerning all is exhibited.